

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: **Song et al.** Confirmation No.: **6589**
Application No.: **10/597,808** Group Art Unit: **1623**
Filing Date: **March 20, 2007** Examiner: **Bland, Layla D**
For: **SUBSTITUTED PIXYL PROTECTING GROUPS FOR
OLIGONUCLEOTIDE SYNTHESIS**

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 14, 2008 in connection with the above-identified patent application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows.

- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.